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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert on page 1 after the title:

This patent application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/153,464, entitled "ACID Complaint Transaction and Distributed Transaction Architecture Across HTTP and Active Simulation to Optimize Transaction Quantums Across HTTP", filed by Michael James McLaughling Jr., on September 9, 1999, the contents of which are herein incorporated by reference in its entirety. --

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